

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## **City of Troy Declares a State of Emergency**

*Next Steps in Response to the Flooding Disaster* 

Troy, MI, August 15, 2014:

Mayor Dane Slater has declared a state of emergency on behalf of the City of Troy due to the flood disaster that happened on Monday August 11, 2014. With the emergency declaration, the City of Troy can now request financial assistance and additional resources for our local community through Oakland County and the State of Michigan.

Residents experienced up to 5 feet of flooding within their homes; businesses were forced to close; and many commuters were stuck with no place to go because of the major road closures on Dequindre, Maple Road, and Stephenson Highway. Some of this flooding included sewage.

Citizens who were affected and have not yet contacted the City are asked to fill out a Damage Assessment Survey worksheet that can be found on the City of Troy website at <a href="troymi.gov">troymi.gov</a>. Additional information that will also be available on the website will be about flood safety, as well as the process for filing claims against the City under 2001 Public Act 222. For questions on how to make a claim contact the City Attorney's Office at (248) 524-3320. Home owners and private organizations are encouraged to contact insurance companies to determine if their policy includes coverage for damages that have occurred.

The City of Troy would like to thank its first responders from the Fire Department, Police Department, Department of Public Works and Alliance Mobile Health for their excellent work in responding to the emergency and their continued efforts in the days to come. The American Red Cross, Salvation Army and other volunteer organizations will be providing the city with flood clean-up kits and additional resources.